There are a number of interesting pieces of HIPAA information included.   Of special interest may be
     Recent CalOHI Policy Memos and Information Memos,
     More news on ICD-10 system, and
     Information Security and Privacy Conference with a special HIPAA Track

As always: Please be sure to note that in some cases the information presented may be the opinion of the original author. We need to be sure to view it in the context of our own organizations and environment. You may need additional information, support, legal opinions and/or decision documentation when interpreting the rules.

My thanks to all the folks who have shared information for this e-news.
Have a great day!!!
Ken

Interesting items below:
   CalOHI Policy Memos
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   See the latest version of the MHCCM
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   WEDI SNIP HIPAA Implementation Summit
   WEDI SNIP Small Provider Audiocast Series Announced
   Information Security and Privacy Conference Flyer - ATTACHMENT
   [hipaanotes] HIPAAnotes - Vol. 2, No. 35 - 9/11/02 - ATTACHMENT
   HIPAA Implementation Newsletter -- Issue #41 - Friday, Sept 9, 2002 -
ATTACHMENT
   [hipaanotes] "Putting the Privacy Changes to Work" AudioConference

*************** CalOHI Policy Memos ***********************
At the CalOHI Website, http://www.ohi.ca.gov, click on "California Implementation" and then click on "Policies & Information Memos" to get to the policies and documents noted below:

CalOHI Policies Memos
   • 2002-01, Workgroup Product Approval Process.pdf (146K)
   • 2002-02, Identification and HIPAA Preemtion Analysis of State Law Relating to the Confidentiality and/or Privacy of Individual Identificable Health Inforamtion.pdf (134K)
   • 2002-03, Health Insurance Portability and accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM).pdf (132K)
   • 2002-04, Extension Compliance Plan for Electronic and Code Sets Standards.pdf (133K)
   • 2002-04, Extension Compliance Plan for Electronic and Code Sets Standards Addendum #1.pdf (151K)
   • 2002-05, Potential Impact of 2003-04 HIPAA Budget Reduction.pdf (157K)
   • 2002-06, Pending Policy Memo
   • 2002-07, Notice of Proposed Funding.pdf (162K) - for State Departments Only
   • 2002-07 -- Application for HIPAA Assessment Funds.doc (26K) - for State

CalOHI Information Memos
- 2002-01, Federal Extension of HIPAA Transactions and Code Sets Regulations.pdf (100K)
- 2002-02, County Issues Sub-Workgroup Function nd State Departments' Responsibilities.pdf (119K)
- 2002-03, Courtsy Copies of COHI Rquests for Identification and HIPAA Preemption Analysis of State Law Relating to the Confidentiality and/or Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information.pdf (84K)
- 2002-04, HIPAA Privacy State Law Baseline.pdf (143K)
- Attachment to 2002-04 Information Memo, HIPAA Privacy State Law Baseline Worksheet.excel (234K)

*************** More news on ICD-10 system **************
>>> <gcox@oshpd.state.ca.us> 09/12/02 08:13AM >>>
From AHMA's E-Alert sent on 9/11/02:

ICD-10 to be Considered at NCVHS Meeting

The National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) has announced that the full committee will meet on September 25-26 in Arlington, VA. Included in the committee's agenda are:

--a report on the HIPAA privacy regulations by the Office of Civil Rights and data standards by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
--an update on the administration's consolidated health information project
--sessions on the national health information infrastructure
--the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) strategic planning briefing

Various NCVHS subcommittees will also report on their recent activities. The Subcommittee on Standards and Security will present its recommendation to forward the ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS code sets to the Secretary of HHS for publication, review, and regulation. Approval by the full NCVHS would mean that HHS could begin the regulatory process to adopt one or both of the code sets. The subcommittee's goal is to look at the regulatory process to identify the costs, savings, and benefits that would come from conversion of the medical code sets.

You may listen in on the full committee meeting via the Internet by going to: http://ncvhs.hhs.gov/. The agenda and details for the meeting can be found at: http://ncvhs.hhs.gov/020925ag.htm.

*************** See the latest version of the MHCCM
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>>> Stan Johnson 09/11/02 03:07PM >>>
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>>> KLeshko@CMS.HHS.GOV 09/11/02 10:13AM >>>
Version 3.0 of the MHCCM has been released and is available at [www.mhccm.org.](www.mhccm.org)
To request your own CD, email kleshko@cms.hhs.gov.

The MHCCM or Medicaid HIPAA Compliant Concept Model is a model to assist
entities in their efforts to become HIPAA compliant with planning, identifying
changes, strategizing and asessing risks associated with HIPAA. Version 3.0

Note to State MHCCM Custodians: Copies of the CD are in the mail.

What's New in Version 3.0?

Orientation Component

Updated Tour

Updated HELP

Medicaid Enterprise Component

Enhanced several pages in the Enterprise Perspective section:

Included updates for the Privacy Rule
Changed "Other State Agency" entity to "Other Agency"

Medicaid Operations Component

Enhanced several pages in the Operations Perspective:

Included updates for Privacy in the 9 major operational areas
Added a completely N E W section for Privacy

Toolkit Component

Included several new tools for Privacy in the following Toolkit Categories:

        Crosswalks/ Gap Analysis, Web Sites, Papers, Presentations, Project Plan
Support, and General   Information

    * An Interactive Project Management Checklist Tool for Transactions & Code
Sets

    * An Interactive Project Management Checklist Tool for Privacy

    * List of Privacy related web sites from WEDI-SNIP

    * A Privacy Baseline presentation

    * A PHI Assessment Tool and Survey for Privacy

    * A Privacy Policy Matrix

* The Privacy NPRM (Text)

  * The Privacy Final Amended Rule (Text and PDF)

  * A Trading Partner Agreement Usage Guideline paper

  * Web site links to the latest Privacy related information

*************** LA Co. MH buys HIPAA tools...Cal Healthline
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>>> Stan Johnson <sjohnson@dmhhq.state.ca.us> 09/12/02 04:59PM >>>
This story from California Healthline was forwarded to you by Stan Johnson with
the accompanying message:

FYI

Los Angeles County Mental Health Department Signs $19 Million Contract for HIPAA
Compliance Tools, Services"

The Los Angeles County <u>Department of Mental Health</u> has signed a four-
year, $19 million contract with a group of companies to bring the department in
compliance with the HIPAA transaction and code sets rule. As part of the
agreement, Vancouver-based <u>Sierra Systems</u> will provide the company's
information management system to the department. The contract also includes
<u>Washington Publishing</u>, an electronic data interchange consulting
company; <u>WRQ</u>, a legacy integration software provider; and data security
software suppliers <u>Valicert</u> and <u>Xpediate</u>. <u>Microsoft</u>
also will provide HIPAA Accelerator transaction and processing software to the
department under the contract. "We believe we have selected a responsible
solution to achieving HIPAA compliance given the severe budget constraints facing
the county and the department," Dr. Marvin Southard, director of the mental health
department, said. The department will pay the companies $12.6 million over 13
months for the implementation of new tools required for HIPAA compliance and
$6.4 million to cover future system upgrades, maintenance and technical support
(Sierra Systems release, 9/4). For more iHealth & Technology stories, visit
<u>iHealthBeat.org</u>, a new Web publication sponsored by the California
HealthCare Foundation.

***************** **WEDI SNIP HIPAA Implementation Summit**
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**Register today for the second annual WEDI SNIP HIPAA Implementation
Summit: Achieving April Compliance!!!**

What are you doing about HIPAA?

What are your training strategies?
Do you know the suggested levels of testing?
Have you implemented your Policies and Procedures?
Do you understand how HIPAA affects your business procedures?
Are you familiar with the HIPAA resources available to you?
Do you need answers to your HIPAA questions?
Are you feeling the squeeze of the compliance deadline?
Will you be ready for April Compliance?

Join WEDI SNIP at our Second Annual HIPAA Implementation Summit to learn what you **MUST** know to be ready in April.

Interact with healthcare colleagues who are achieving HIPAA implementation at the Second Annual WEDI SNIP HIPAA Implementation Summit: Achieving April Compliance. Hundreds of savvy healthcare and IT leaders look to WEDI SNIP's Implementation Summit for a view of cutting edge implementation strategies and solutions for successful HIPAA implementation. Hear how these leading organizations overcome HIPAA implementation challenges to reap the benefits of lower administrative costs and streamlined workflow. This exhilarating conference will provide you with prime time answers to solve your HIPAA struggles.

Last year's conference included more than 450 attendees, the largest attendance in WEDI programming history. Attendance is expected to be even higher this year, so be sure to register soon to reserve your spot.

Discounted Early Bird rates are only available for a few weeks. Be sure to register soon to receive these deeply discounted prices.

Conference rates, a draft program agenda, exhibit information, and additional conference information can be found on the WEDI SNIP website at
http://snip.wedi.org/public/articles/index.cfm?Cat=60

Please contact Kristin Becker, Director of SNIP, at kbecker@wedi.org, or 703-391-2714, with any questions.

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******************** WEDI SNIP Small Provider Audiocast Series Announced
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>>> <KristinBecker1@aol.com> 09/12/02 10:48AM >>>

WEDI SNIP announces a three-part audiocast series designed for the small provider: *A Cure for Your HIPAA Headache: A Practical Approach Towards Successful Compliance.*

This three-part audiocast series has been designed for small provider organizations who need practical, hands-on information to guide them through the HIPAA readiness process. The series summarizes HIPAA in terms the small provider can understand, clearly defining the impact of the legislation on their business practices and outlining practical steps for implementing the requirements.

How Can HIPAA Improve Your Cash Flow?

October 1, 2002
2:00 EDT - 3:30 EDT
Take advantage of HIPAA to maximize your cash flow and minimize administrative waste! This audiocast provides a practical look at how HIPAA affects your day-to-day business activities such as billing and coding requirements, and highlights the benefits to your practice (it will save you money!). Learn the positive impacts of HIPAA on the way you check patient eligibility and benefits, submit claims, referrals and pre-certifications, check on the status of a claim, referral or pre-certification and receive payments. This program describes a practical, step-by-step approach for becoming 'HIPAA Ready', including basic questions you should ask your vendor. This audiocast will also provide participants with instructions for filing for a HIPAA extension.
Speakers:
Mari Rose Johnson, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
David Kibbe, MD, American Academy of Family Physicians
Robert Tennant, Medical Group Management Association

How can HIPAA Privacy Improve Patient Relations?

October 8, 2002
2:00 EDT - 3:30 EDT
Patient rights...privacy...confidentiality...these are some of the hottest topics in healthcare today. Learn about the rights that your patients have to their health information and the responsibility you have to keep their information confidential and secure. This audiocast provides a closer look at the HIPAA Privacy requirements. A team of industry experts will explain the impact of HIPAA Privacy on your workflow and outline the basic policies and procedures you need to be ready.
Speakers:
William Braithwaite, MD, PricewaterhouseCoopers
David Kibbe, MD, American Academy of Family Physicians
Andrew Melczer, Illinois State Medical Society

HIPAA Privacy and Your Practice:

October 15, 2002
2:00 EDT - 3:30 EDT
If you are a provider who is new to HIPAA, this audiocast is for you! Join us and you will learn what HIPAA really is and what steps you should take to become 'HIPAA Ready'. Your presenters will describe the impact that the HIPAA Privacy regulation has on your business, what basic questions you should consider when determining if you are 'ready', as well as the basic questions you should ask your

vendor to help determine their ability to facilitate your HIPAA needs.
Speakers:
Jim Leigh, MD, The Leigh Group
Linda Sanches, Office of Civil Rights
Joan Boyle, The Trizetto Group

For more information, visit http://snip.wedi.org/public/articles/details.cfm?id=608.

To register for one or more of these events, visit
https://www.igiweb.com/wedisnipac3/
Each individual 90 minute audiocast is available for $75.00 for WEDI Members and
$100 for WEDI Non members. Discounted package pricing for all three events is
available at $200 for WEDI Members and $250 for WEDI Non Members.

For those of you unable to attend the live event, CD archives will be available at
the same pricing. Just visit https://www.igiweb.com/wedisnipac3/
to order the CD archive today.

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Director of SNIP, at kbecker@wedi.org, or 703-391-2714.

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********* [hipaanotes] REMINDER: "Putting the Privacy Changes to Work"
AudioConference **********
>>> <info@phoenixhealth.com> 09/06/02 10:13AM >>>
From Phoenix Health Systems, Healthcare IT Consulting & Outsourcing
HIPAA Knowledge...HIPAA Solutions
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Just a quick reminder...

PUTTING THE PRIVACY CHANGES TO WORK:
A "How-To" Guide to the August 2002 HIPAA Privacy Rule Modifications
AudioConference

Tune in Wed., Sept. 25 at 2:00 PM EDT to this intensive 60-minute audio
conference to understand the practical implications of the August 14, 2002 Privacy
Rule changes -- and the steps you should take to integrate them into your
compliance initiatives. Get our professional, hands-on advice for coping with the
positives and the negatives. (Includes complete program materials and a follow-up
HIPAAhelpdesk online Q/A forum.)

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Upcoming audio conferences and special services offered by Phoenix Health
Systems are occasionally announced to the list in support of the healthcare
industry's efforts to work together towards HIPAA security and privacy.

** Our HIPAA resources **

HIPAAdvisory web site: http://www.hipaadvisory.com
HIPAAlert newsletter: http://www.hipaadvisory.com/alert/
HIPAAnotes Weekly Byte of HIPAA: http://www.hipaadvisory.com/notes/
HIPAAlive Discussion List: http://www.hipaadvisory.com/live/
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